P. 4

NOV 1 7 2005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner:

LEFFERS, JR., Gerald G.

In re Application of

ROSIER-MONTUS et al.

Art Unit:

1636

Application No.:

09/846,456

Filed: May 2, 2001

Title:

REGULATORY NUCLEIC ACID FOR

THE ABC1 GENE, MOLECULES MODIFYING ITS ACTIVITY AND

THERAPEUTIC USES

TELEFAX CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313, on

Signature

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 TO OFFICE

COMMUNICATION Mail Stop AF

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed May 17, 2005 in the above-referenced application, Applicants submit the following response. A Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and a Notice of Appeal with authorizations for appropriate fees are concurrently submitted.

Amendments to the Claims begin on the page following.

Remarks begin on page 5.

In a telephonic inquiry to seek clarification of the text of the Office Action, Applicants' representative was informed that Ann Sullivan was now assigned to complete examination of the application.